

each occurrence. No new matter has been added.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 1 and claims 3 to 12, without prejudice to the subject matter therein. The Applicant expressly reserves the right to pursue the content and scope of the cancelled claims in this or a continuing application.

Please amend claim 2 as follows:

2. **(Presently and once amended)** A method of gasifying carbonaceous material in a gasification reactor comprising the steps of:
combusting carbon monoxide and hydrogen gas in a oxidation chamber
connected to the bottom of the gasification reactor to produce carbon
dioxide and water molecules with heat;
introducing the stream of the steam and carbon dioxide into the gasification
reactor to raise the gasification reactor temperature above 1,200°C;
reacting carbonaceous material with the steam and carbon dioxide in the
gasification reactor to produce carbon monoxide and hydrogen gas;
and
recycling a portion of the produced carbon monoxide and hydrogen gas into
the oxidation chamber for continuous operation.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Page 19, line 2 delete "large molecular weight".

REMARKS

The Examiner is thanked for the Office Action of March 24, 2003 and the in-person conference of June 23, 2003. Claim 2 is currently pending. The Applicant respectfully submits that no new matter has been introduced in the subject Application and changes are for the purpose of describing the invention more clearly. The Examiner's rejections are addressed below.

1. **Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 112**

Claims 1-8 and 12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter.